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In re Application of: )  
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SERIAL NO.: 10/041,004 )  
FILED: January 7, 2002 )  
FOR: FEATURE SIZE REDUCTION IN THIN )  
FILM MAGNETIC HEAD USING LOW )  
TEMPERATURE DEPOSITION COAT- )  
ING OF PHOTOLITHOGRAPHICALLY- )  
DEFINED TRENCHES )

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In response to the Second Office Action mailed on April 28, 2004, Applicant hereby responds, as follows:

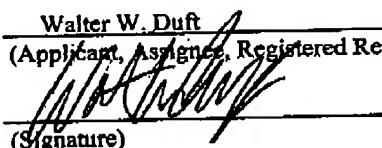
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